

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

Hearing Date: March 25, 2021 8:00 AM

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COMMENTS FOR: HB 2640

Dana Hickey

Self

Riviera, TX

No. Keep as is. This will add confusion to system

DONNA EYLES

Self

CORPUS CHRISTI, TX

Vote No. Having different voting dates is confusing, not to mention the expense!

Kathy Powell, Business Owner

Self

San Marcos, TX

Hello. I would like to encourage you to vote in favor of HB749. I think these new policies would help alleviate complicit dealings involving the exchange of money with lobbyists and other entities. I appreciate you taking the time to serve the public. Thank you.

Jessie Carlson

Self

Corpus Chrsiti, TX

Vote no. Changing election dates only causes confusion and makes it harder to vote.

Marlow Newton

Self

The Woodlands, TX

Dear Committee Members,

I fully support updating this legal language.

Sincerely,

Marlow Newton

Tommie Lee Jr
Self Electrician
corpus christi, TX

I do not support this proposed bill. Vote NO! This bill will weaken out election integrity.

Elizabeth Galiger
self. musician and teacher
Austin, TX

i was raised to believe democracy is a living thing, an action requiring citizen participation, a responsibility. i am in favor of everything that makes it easier for citizens to vote, from extended early voting, mail in and absentee voting, automatic voter registration, time off work to vote, etc. to be against these things is to be against the very concept of democracy. please do not change dates of elections in such a way that it becomes more difficult to vote.

Chris Garrett
self
Corpus Christi, TX

vote no. Changing dates is a ploy to evade voters. Changing dates creates confusion and reduces voter turnout.

James Castagneto
Self/family retired teacher
Dripping Springs, TX

If there is a “valid reason” to change an election date, it must be made in a general public meeting ,
With a minimum of 2 weeks notice to the public. This change must be made at least 9 months prior to the election and have no restrictions as to location or other addendums regarding methods of voting, including and not restricted to:
- hours of voting
- additional days
- extended or early voting,
Or any other changes that are not related to the reason for date change.
The reason must be clearly detailed, and in simple English for all to understand.

Kimberly Bridges Young
Self, Retired
CORPUS CHRISTI, TX

Vote no! Stay consistent with November election dates - changing dates causes confusion.

Crisarla Houston, Esq.
Self, Attorney
Waco, TX

The Texas legislature's efforts to make it harder for Texans to vote are unconscionable and should cease. If changes are made to the voting procedures, those changes should go further to lift impediments to voting. Voting is a fundamental right in our democracy. Voters are watching you all over the state and nation. We will unite to vote you out of office if you support this egregious attack on voting rights. It is clear that your efforts to pass laws that make it harder for Texans to vote are aimed at people of color who do not typically vote Republican. This assault on Texans' voting rights for these baseless and unjust reasons will be remembered at the polls. Remove impediments to fair and impartial elections if you do anything to change Texas laws on voting. Cease this disgraceful effort to suppress votes, and accept that the will of the people will be expressed at the polls regardless of whether you agree or disagree with the people. Voters will become more educated and motivated to protect their interests at the polls. Voters will not be bullied or silenced. We have a right to vote and to participate in this representative democracy. Do not pass unjust laws to hinder our ability to vote. We are watching you and are ready to stand up for our right to vote every time the polls open. Thank you for your time and consideration. Please do the right thing and stop all efforts to make it harder for Texans to vote. You have a moral obligation to do the right thing.

Velvete Rojuginboka, Ms

Self - Rn

Highlands, TX

I'm old and need easy voting

Fair and easy voting for all

KRISTIN HAYES, DR

SELF, TEACHER

SAN ANTONIO, TX

OPPOSE

Reuben Leslie

self, retired

Austin, TX

Please pass HB 2640 to encourage more jurisdictions to share the November general election date which is more convenient for voters and costs taxpayers less than multiple separate election dates.

Jennifer Lane

Self

Denton, TX

I am in favor of moving municipal and other local elections rooms to November. Turnout is much greater. The public is more aware of the elections and is more attentive.

Katrina Evenhouse

self - Galveston County Precinct Chair #280

DICKINSON, TX

I am against this bill

There needs to be a uniform date for elections. The political entities should have a reliable date and not be allowed to change election dates as they wish.

Ronnye W Cowell Cowell

Retired

HOUSTON, TX

My name is Ronnye Cowell and I live in congressional district 133, I am asking you to vote yes for the following Senate Bills that have been created to secure the integrity of our elections here in the state of Texas: HB6, HB2197, HB2318, HB3285. I am asking for you to vote against HB 2640.

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Thank you for your time!

Autumn Brown

Self / Cert Sub Teacher

Friendswood, TX

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Against!
